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1. DEPARTMENT AND ERDA APPRECIATE IAEA CUSTOMARY PRACTICE
TO ACCEPT NO MORE THAN ONE OFFER FROM EACH MEMBER STATE
TO HOST AN IAEA-APPROVED SYMPOSIUM IN ANY ONE YEAR. ERDA,
OF COURSE, CONTINUES SUPPORT ITS OFFER AS TRANSMITTED
REF. B FOR 1977 SYMPOSIUM.

2. WITH RESPECT TO 1977 SYMPOSIUM ON FOOD IRRADIATION
WHICH WAS SUBJECT OF BRYNJOLFSSON LETTER TO VAS AS REFERRED
TO IN REF A, IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT U.S. INTEREST
(BRYNJOLFSSON) IN SUPPORTING THIS SYMPOSIUM DERIVES FROM
INFORMAL ENCOURAGEMENT FROM VAS FOR U.S. TO DO SO. FOOD
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IRRADIATION SYMPOSIA UNDER IAEA AUSPICES HAVE BEEN HELD

OVER NUMBER OF YEARS BUT NEVER IN U.S. AND VAS APPARENTLY
FEELS THAT IN 1977 THE U.S. SHOULD DO THIS.

3. IN RESPONSE TO EFFORTS OF BRYNJOLFSSON, SEVERAL USG
AGENCIES HAVE BEEN CONSIDERING EXTENT TO WHICH THEY COULD
FINANCIALLY SUPPORT A 1977 FOOD IRRADIATION SYMPOSIUM IN

THE U.S., SUBJECT TO IAEA ACCEPTANCE OF A U.S. OFFER. THE
NSF AND DOD (ARMY) AGREE TO CONTRIBUTE DOLS AND USDA AND
ERDA ARE STILL CONSIDERING THE QUESTION.

4. IN ORDER THAT WE CAN PROCEED WITH EFFORTS TO SECURE
NECESSARY FINANCING FOR 1977 FOOD IRRADIATION SYMPOSIUM,
MISSION REQUESTED EXTEND U.S. OFFER TO HOST SUBJECT
SYMPOSIUM. WE NEED DEFINITIVE ADVICE WHETHER AGENCY
WILL ACCEPT U.S. OFFER IN ORDER TO PROCEED IN ORDERLY
FASHION WITH OUR EFFORTS. KISSINGER

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